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Applicant: Shinji Maekawa Art Unit: 2813

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Title : METHOD OF MANUFACTURING A SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE WITH

TENSILE STRESS (AS AMENDED)

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Responsive to the action mailed November 30, 2005, applicant elects the invention of Species 5 drawn to the embodiment of Claims 61, 65-66 and 71 pertaining to a method including removing a tensile stressed material and forming a gate. The election is made without traverse.

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Respectfully submitted,

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